

# DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

We, the below named inventors, hereby declare that:

Our residences, post office addresses, and citizenships are as stated below next to our respective names.

We believe we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled TEST TUBE WITH DATA MATRIX CODE MARKINGS the specification of which was filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on September 20, 1999, as Serial No. 09/399,405.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

We hereby declare that all statements are made hereby of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

And we hereby appoint:

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all of the firm of Samuels, Gauthier & Stevens, our attorneys with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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WHEREAS we, Daniel J. Seguin  
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**TEST TUBE WITH DATA MATRIX CODE MARKINGS**

described in the application filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on September 20, 1999 as Serial No. 09/399,405, and

WHEREAS Matrix Technologies Corporation, a corporation duly organized and existing under the laws of New Hampshire and having a place of business at 22 Friars Drive, Hudson, New Hampshire 03051, for the benefit of itself, its successors and assigns, all inclusively hereinafter referred to as the Assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention, the said application, all inventions disclosed in said application and any and all Letters Patent of the United States and of all other countries which may be granted for the said invention or inventions, or any of them;

NOW, THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration provided by said Assignee, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, we do hereby sell, assign and transfer to the said Assignee the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention, inventions and application, including all priority rights arising therefrom, all inventions disclosed in said application, and any and all Letters Patent of the United States, and of all other countries, together with the right to apply for such Letters Patent, which may be granted for the said invention, inventions or any of them,

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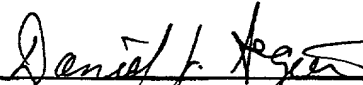
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